

## *The Message Notes*

**Series:** Biblical Human History

**Message:** *In His Presence*

**Scripture:** Psalms 105:4

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### **Review: God's Presence – Exodus 33:12-16**

1. God's presence means God is **present with us** (Exodus 25:8).
2. God's presence **sets us apart** from all other people (Exodus 33:16).
3. God's presences exist in four forms: **omnipresence**, **inner** presence, **manifest** presence, and **corporate** presence:
  - **Omnipresence** – God is present **everywhere**, though you may not be aware of it in a physical way (Psalms 133:7-8).
  - **Inner** presence – God is present **within us** by His Spirit (Ezekiel 36:27).
  - **Manifest** presence – God makes His presence known in **tangible** ways to our senses (Matthew 12:28).
  - **Corporate** presence – God presence dwells with us in the assembly by His Spirit (Ephesians 2:22).

### **We can have a church without His presence (Revelation 2:4-5)**

**CT:** Do we **really believe** God's **Spirit** dwells with us? What is your evidence?

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Psalms 105:4. **Seek** the Lord and His **strength**; **Seek** His **presence continually!** (ESV)

The **aim** of our worship is to **seek** God's face (presence).

- **Seek** = **align** yourself with God
- **Presence** = **face**; to know God's **character** and how He deals with us according to His **divine plan** for our lives (Psalms 103:7).
- **Spirit and Truth** = inspiration and information (John 4:24)
  - Inspiration – heart (passion)
  - Information – head (knowledge)

1. Can worship **provoke** God's Spirit to **manifest** Himself (Psalms 22:3)?

**Manifest presence** – Holy Spirit's **distinct attributes** take over our environment and capture our **attention** individually and corporately.

2. **How we enter His presence:** Attitude, Admission, and Action (Psalms 100:1-4)

a) Attitude (What) verses 1-2

- Shout with **joy** to the Lord – war cry
- Worship the Lord with **gladness** – serve Him (Psalms 103:1-2)

b) Admission (Why) verse 3

- Acknowledge that the Lord is God! (King)
- He made us, and we are His (Creator)
- We are His people, the sheep of His pasture (Father)

c) Action (How) verse 4

- Enter his **gates** with **thanksgiving (Todah)**. You shout out to Him with a sacrificial praise (Psalms 34:3).
- Go into his **courts** with **praise (Tehillah)**. We sing our testimonies accompanied by instruments.
- Give **thanks** to him (**Yadah**). You lift your hands confessing your surrender or your need to be lifted for help.
- **Praise** his name (**Barak**). You bless His name while kneeling before Him in humility.

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- For the Lord is good
- His unfailing love continues forever
- His faithfulness continues to each generation

3. **Our worship service** Here is how we enter into His presence:

- We **pray** – acknowledge His presence
- We **praise** – express our thanksgivings (what He has done)
- We **give** – offer up the first of our finances
- We **worship** – seek His face (who He is)
- We **hear** – listen to obey God's instructions
- We **invite** – call to follow Christ
- We **bless** – dismiss with God's benediction

“At any point in our service, the **manifest** presence of God may spring forth in the midst of us.”